Who was BLACKMAILED BROADWAY WEEKLY.

LARGE INCREASE IN ASSESSMENTS.

Equalization Board Completes Valuation of Railroad, Telephone and Telegraph Property.

\$4.500,000 OVER LAST YEAR.

Total Assessed Value of All Property Subject to Taxation Except Merchants and Manufacturers Is \$1,222,715,510.47.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Jefferson City, Mo., Aug. It.—The State Board of Equalization, consisting of Governor Dockery, State Auditor Allen, Secre Hams and Attorney General Crow, to-day completed the assessment of railroad. bridge, telephone and telegraph property in the State for the year 1953. Secretary Allen will certify the result to the different coun tles of the State in a few days

\$4,500,000 over last year, the largest increas being on the Missouri Pacific, which was raised \$1,000,000 over last year. The next largest increase is on the Frisco, of about Kansas City was raised \$500,000. The Misraised \$300,000. The Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul was raised \$30,000, Kansas City Southern \$200,000, the Katy \$50,000, Wabash \$300,000, St. Joseph Street Railway \$150,000. Bell Telephone Company \$100,000 and the Burlington \$20,000. The other assessments are about the same as made last year.

The values as fixed on the principal systems of bridge, telegraph and telephone

	companies of the State are as followed	ows:
17.60	Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe	4.400,027 2.002,691 12.410,707 1.911,742 2.110,46 4.105,297 2.48,114 2.491,026 1.112,039 1.112,039
	Miscouri Pacific St. Louis and Gulf St. Louis and Gulf St. Louis and San Francisco (including new lines acquired in 1912) St. Louis Southwestern	16,641,957 301,770 1,671,540 10,459,871
	Wabash Wagins Ferry Company Metropolitan Street Railroad Kan-	1.031,405 3.001,942 8.017,922 1.017,027
	sas City St. Joseph Street Railroad St. Lonis Suburban United Railways (Transit Company). Pacific Mutual Delegraph Western Union Telegraph	874, 984 3,055, 459 16,477, 947 176, 276 2,008, 208
	American Telephone and Telegraph. Bell Telephone. Citizens Telephone, St. Joseph Home Telephone, Jasper County Kindoch Telephone. Misscurl and Kaneas Telephone	1,000,000, 20,000, 20,000, 750,000, 750,000,
	Increases made in 1933 over the ment for 1992 are as follows:	
1	Steam railroads Railroads other than steam Telegraph lines Telephone lines Bridges	2,045,236, 894,632, 6,656, 668,241, 8,000,
	Total increase in 1903	4,525,616

Total This total of \$125,494,845,47 does not cover the property owned by these corporations and assessed by the local Assessors of the various counties and cities where situated as the State Board of Equalization only assesses such property as is located on the right of way of these companies.

The total assessed value of all property subject to taxation for the year 1901, except merchants and manufacturers, is as follows:

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Real estate, \$525.646 471 Personal property, \$255.575.234 Firlder, railroad, telegraph and telephone property, \$126.646.856.41 Grand total of assessment for 1903, \$1,222.715,-516.47.

TEMPORARY PRESIDENT NAMED. W. J. Atkinson Succeeds General

Farrar in Trust Company. William J. Atkinson was formally elected temporary president of the United States Trust Company yesterday to succeed General B. G. Farrar, whose resignation on account of his duties as the United States Subtreasurer in St. Louis was announced

several days ago.

The Board of Directors of the trust com The Board of Directors of the trust company passed resolutions thanking General Farrar for his valuable services.

Mr. Atkinson, who has been in charge of the St. Louis Exposition and Music Hall Company's affairs, has held the office of vice president of the trust company. It is understood that in a few weeks he will resume the title of vice president and give place to some financier who is to be relected for the presidency.

Boring for Oil at Muscogec. Muscogee, I. T., Aug. 14.-The first oil well was started in this city this afternoon. A company has taken leases and will prospect for oil on all the available lots within the incorporation.

Body Found in Straw Stack. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Otterville, Mo., Aug. 14.—The body of an unidentified man, about 60, was found in a strawstack near here this morning. Death is supposed to have resulted from natural

ABOUT COMPLEXIONS.

Food Makes Them Good or Bad.

Saturate the human body with strong coffee and it will in time show in the complexion of the coffee drinker.

This is caused by the action of coffee on the liver, thus throwing part of the bile into the blood. Coffee complexions are sallow and muddy and will stay that way until coffee is given up entirely.

The sure way to recover rosy checks and red lips is to quit coffee and drink Postum Food Coffee, which makes red blood. 'I had been for more than twenty years an inveterate coffee drinker and it.

HIGHWAYMAN ADMITS TAKING PART IN THREE ROBBERIES.



Charles Holltorf, a Cheap Jewelry Peddler - Acknowledges Shooting at Henry Voelker.

Charles Holltorf, plins Gus Helssel, admilited to Chief of Detectives Desmond yeshim as one of the men who robbed them. Philip Bradshaw, a parater, of No. 1117 North Fourteenth street, is postive in his identification, Bradshaw says he has known Holltorf for several years, Bradshaw was held up by three men on

Twentieth street, between Washington and Lucas avenues, on the night of July 4. The "I told this fellow when no and the other

two men were robbing me," said Bradshaw, "that I know him, and he certainly would manded me to keep my hands up or, he said, he would blow my nead off. "I had known him several years. He used to peddle cheap jewelry, and I had seen him with thieves often. I did not know his ROBBERS SCARED AWAY.

"The robbers believed I had more money than 65 cents, and kept one backed up

avenue and Beaumont street, was sure that Holltorf was one of the men who robbed his place. Perrano fought the three robbers, and a dozen shots were exchanged in the barroom, Mirrers were broken, and the walls were penetrated by bullets. One of Holltor's companions is believed to have been wounded by Perrano, as a trail of blood was found on the sidewalk by the polic.

ADMITS ATTEMPTED ROBBERY. Henry Voelker, salconkeeper at High and O'Fallon streets, who drove the highwayman from his saloon with a chair Wednesday night, also positively identified

HOLLTORF,
Posing for The Republic in the attitude he
assumed when attempting to hold up
Voelker in his saloon, when several shots
were exchanged. watchman by Constable McCilliands told

the Fourth District police yesterday that such a revolver had been stolen from his room at No. 930 North Broadway. Trolanowski and Patrolman Ferie of the Pourth District, he gave the name of Gus Heissel. Chief Desmond, after an hour's questioning yesterday afternoon, obtained the confession from the prisoner that his name is Holltorf and not Heissel. GIVES COMPANION'S NAME.

Hollterf told Chief Desmond that his companion in the Veelker and private watch-man robberies was Henry Marbes. He says Marbes lives in the vicinity of Fourteenth than 65 cents, and kept 'ne backed up against a fence for fifteen minutes, two of them covering me all the time wiri revelvers, while this fellow searched my peckets.

"One of them gave the alarm while Hollstoff was searching me, and they ran. I looked up and saw a Sergeant of Folce, with several patrolmen, coming down the street. I told them that I had been held to, and they searched the vicinity, but found no one."

Frank Perrano, saloonkeeper at Lucas avenue and Beaumont street, was sure that Hollstoff was reached the properties of the propert street and Cass avenue. Detectives have

and gave him the revolvers taken from him to hold while Bradshaw and Perrano were identifying him. - PHOTOGRAPHED IN MASK. The Chief also had photographs taken of the robber while holding his pistols and wearing his mask.

Asked how he came to be a highwayman, Holltorf, who is only 19 years old, and does not have the appearance of a desperate man, said: "I am a paperhanger by trade, I got out

of work and met these other men. They induced me to join them in bolding up peo-ple. I went our with them and tried it. It was easy and I kept at it. That's the whole Wednesday night, also positively identified Holitorf. He swore out warrants charging the prisoner with assault to kill and robbery in the first degree.

Holltorf, after considerable questioning, admitted that it was he who attempted to rob Voelker. He also admitted shooting at the saloonkeeper, He says his companion remained on the outside of the saloon while he was trying to rob Voelke.

Holltorf has told the police of a robbery of which they knew nothing until yesterday. He declares that one of the pistols found in his possession was stolen from a private watchman, whom he and his companions held up at Sixteenth and Carr streets several nights ago. The police have no report of any such robbery.

Thomas Kane, who is employed as a

DIRECTION OF THE ARMY NOW CENTERED IN PRESIDENT

Secretary Root To-Day Will Promulgate the Order, Under the New Law Which Places the Military Practically Under the Direct Control of the Chief Executive - Duties of Chief of Staff Will Consist Mainly of Executing Orders From the President Directly or Indirectly Through the Sec retary of War.

Washington, Aug. 14-Secretary Root to- | cease, unless sooner terminated, on the day norrow will premuigate an order defining the duties of the general staff of the army, of the President by whom the detail is which under the law, goes into effect on August 15. On the selection and duty of the Chief of Staff, the Secretary says:

Commander of the Army of the United States rests with the constitutional Com"The Chief of Staff is observed as mander in Chief, the President. The President will place parts of the army and separate armies whenever constituted, under ommanders subordinate to his general command; and in case of exigency seeming to him to require it, he may place the whole army under a single commander subordinate to him; but in time of peace and under ordinary conditions the administration and control of the army are effected without

any second in command. "The President's command is exercised through the Secretary of War and the Chief of Staff. The Secretary of War is charged with carrying out the policies of the President in military affairs. He directly represents the President and is bound always to act in conformity to the Presidecisions of the Supreme Court his acts are the President's acts, and his directions and orders are the President's directions and

The sure way to recover rosy cheeks and red lips is to quit coffee and drink Posture. The content of the President's directions and peer for more than twenty years an investigation toward the last became perfectly selturated myself with this drug that my complexion and every nerve and fiber in me was at "For days at a time I had been compelled to keep to my bed on account of nerveus headache and stomach trouble, and my headaches and terrible complexion and it only found-out the cause of them after I commenced the use of Postum, which became known to me through frage Naist became herful and we concluded to try it. We found it so delicious that we continued the use altogether, although in never expected it to help my headaches were all gone and my complexion had been caused by coffee and had been contend the last of the position requires what the title dates of the piece of a yellow skin and distance and coffee arrinker and rosy cheeks and health take the piace of a yellow skin and distance and coffee detailed, the detail will in every case

following the expiration of the term of office made, and if at any time the Chief of Staff considers that he can no longer sustain toward the President and the Secretary of "Under the act of February 14, 1903, the War the Fresident and the Secretary of War the relations above described, it will

"The Chief of Staff is charged with the duty of supervising under the direction of the Secretary of War, all troops of the line, the Adjutant Generals, Inspector Generals, Judge Advocate Generals, Quartermasters, Subsistence, Medical, Pay and Ordnance departments, the Corps of Engineers and the Signal Corps. He performs such other military duties not otherwise assigned by law as may be assigned to him by the President."

This paragraph and subsequent paragraphs confer all authority in the War Department on the Chief of Staff under the direction of the Secretary of War. The remainder of the order relates to the

duties of other members of the General Staff and gives the provisions of the law Felating to the General Staff. The General dent's instructions. Under the law and the Staff will become an advisory and investigating body, and will prepare plans for the organization and mobilization of the army, collect information and make preparation

CONTINUED SENSATIONS FOR TO-DAY.

Extraordinary Inducements Why You Should Shop From 8 to 12 O'Clock.

Any Pair of Men's Shees

It makes no difference if the pair

SI WALKOVER SHOES, Q1 00

Boys' Knee Pants Suits.

Now is the time to get the boy

Bargains for SATURDAY MORNING SELLING 8 O'Clock to Sensational

\$3 to \$8.50 UMBRELLAS.

Pure Silk; covers alone worth \$2 to \$5: beautiful handies. worth alone \$1 to \$3.50.

Hargadine-McKittrick Dry Goods Co.'s Sample Hosiery

confidence, and the store's advertising meets with quick and liberal response. 121/20 FOR 250 HOSE-Lindles', Men's, Infanta' and

50c FOR 3 PAIRS 39c HOSE-Ladies', Men's, Infants' 49c FOR \$1.25 HOSE-Ladies', Men's, Infants' and 25c FOR 50c HOSE-Indies', Men's, Infants' and

\$1 FOR 3 PAIRS 750 HOSE-Ladies', Men's, Infants' 59c FOR \$1,50 HOSE-Fine Hose for Ladles' and

MEN'S \$1.75

worth \$1.25 and and stripes; mostly effects, and some

50c

Taffeta Petticoats. EXTRAORDINARY MILLINERY SENSATIONS.

Worth up to \$15; Nonbreakable silks. . These are the best Nonbreakable Taffeta Silk Petticoats in The Meyer Store, and they were selling for \$8.50 to \$15; each a different style, and in black and

Men's Extra Size Underwear. Sizes 44 to 58; worth Men's \$1 Underwear.

Lisle Thread and Mercerized Silk; "Way" and "Otis" Ladies' Knit Vests. Worth 124c each; about 100 dozens to

sell; they go 4 for 25c Ladies' 15c Knit Vests. Richelieu ribbed; tape and lace at neck and arm-holes...... 3 for 25c

Ladies' 35c Knit Vests. Boys' Mercerized Underwear Worth 50e a garment; shirts and drawers-

Children's 25c Underwear. Sizes 18 to 26; shirts and \$1.50 Wash Kid Gloves.

Sizes 51/2 to 6; so if you have a small hand you can wear \$1.50 Chamois Wash Kid 29c 1/2 Price Sale of Fans. Those worth 10c-

Fans worth 500-50c Lace Curtainings. Irish Point, real Madras, Brussels, Laird's Bloom of Youth, worth 75c. Nottingham, Swiss, Oriental Cream, worth \$1.50.

29c Drapery Cloths,

\$10 to \$25 Silk Negligees.

choice.....\$5,98 \$5 Silk Shawls.

50c Will Buy Saturday Coke's Dandruff Cure, worth \$1. Michaelson's Bay Rum, worth 89c. Berbex Hair Preparations, worth \$1.

2 50c bottles Oakley's Tollet Water.

millinery. Just 20 beautiful Pattern Hals, not any two alike. The most expensive sold for \$13.50, the cheapbalance from our celebrated \$4.98 line, while others sold for \$3.50, \$2.50 and \$1.50-nearly every hat in this est for \$7.50. Don't come in the afternoon expecting any of these hats to be here. They'll go quick enough in the morning;

\$7.50 Irish Point Curtains. Not more than 3 pairs to one custo price; pair

\$5 Tapestry Portieres, Beautiful Portieres go in this sale at, pair..... \$2.50

Those 27x54, and Those 27x36, and Those 27x36, and 89c Infants' and Children's \$10, \$12

and \$13 Coats. Beautiful Silk Conts, sold at \$10 to \$25; choice...... \$2.98 Beautiful Silk Conts, sold \$3.50 to \$7.50 Skirt Chemise,

Cambrics, trimmed beautifully with laces and ribbons. They are slightly solled and go on sole.

Exquisite styles in Silk Dressing Gowns or Tea Gowns, elaborately trimmed in laces and ribbons, and which sold from

In Shell Patterns; pink and blue only......98c

Ladies' Early Fall Coats, worth \$15, \$12.50

and \$10. \$5,00 These are samples and have served their purpose. Now they will go in this extraordinary bargain event. They are finely man-tailored and come in black and tan; full lengths, three-quarter lengths and half lengths to choose from.

Samples of Ladies' Louis XIV New Fall Suits...... \$9.98 Styles in \$19.95

Simply remarkable are these bargains in Ladles' \$19.95 Louis XIV Cheviot, Mistral, Melton and Kersey Suits. If you buy now you save fully one-half. Two weeks from date these suits will be selling for \$20. They were bought by The Meyer Store as samples, and as

White Shirt-Waist Suits, worth up to \$7.50 \$1.95 This lot is the last of them and the price drops down to the lowest notch.

Of course, you must expect to find them a little mussed, but they are worth up to \$7.50 and they go in this sale for choice at \$1.95. Wonderful Bargains in Skirts, worth up to \$15.95 Walking and Dress Skirts, in blacks,

and some handsome cream and white

skirts that sold up to \$15.95, make most

attractive bargains to shoppers Satur-day. These fine skirts go in the sale

Ladies' White Shirt Waists, sold up to \$5. \$1.95 And there are many of them-very many worth considerably more than \$5.

but you will be glad enough to pay \$1.95 for a \$5 waist. These represent the bal-ances from The Meyer Store's finest Waists, and hardly any two of them are

worth \$5, \$6, \$7, for \$1.99 Your unrestricted choice of any fan in the store-Pearl Sticks, Real Duch-esse and Point Rose Fans, hand-carved

ebony, hand-carved ivory-all go for choice at \$1.99. Ladies' \$5 Necklaces.

Real Roman Gun Metal and \$1.00 75c Hook-On Hose Supporters, With rubber buttons; the kind that never wear out. All 50c, 75c and \$1 supporters in the sale, on

\$3 to \$5 Wrist Bags. Samples from a celebrated New York manufacturer. These bags are made of best quality leathers, including walrus, seal, alligator and lizard skins, with beautiful imported French

frames, slik and chamois \$1.98 Misses' and Children's 600 pairs of Misses' and Children's Sandals, in all sizes and widths and in many different styles. All of them would be bargains if sold for anything less

than \$1.25; choice for 49c. Ladies' \$2 Patent Leather and Kid Oxfords 69c Just about 663 pairs to be sold, and there are all sizes and widths, in Cuban, military and concave heels. Every pair

guaranteed perfect. None to dealers. Choice, a pair, 69c. blues and colors, that sold up to \$12.45, Boys' School Shoes.

worth \$1.50 a pair 49c Odds and ends from last season brought out of the stockroom and put on Laird's Bloom of Youth, worth 75c.
Oriental Cream, worth \$1.50.
2 50c bottles Oakley's Tollet Water.

\$3.50 to \$5 Silk Chemise,
In pink and blue, at the knit underwear counter... \$1.39

| Comparison of Youth, worth 75c.
| Comparison of Youth, w

Sale of Men's \$15, \$18, \$20 Suits

ALL DAY SATURDAY FROM 8 A. M. to 7 P. M.

Men's \$15 Cheviot Suits, Men's \$18 Cheviot Suits, Men's \$20 Cheviot Suits. Men's \$15 Worsted Suits, Men's \$18 Thibet Suits, Men's \$20 Thibet Suits, Men's \$15 Cassimere Suits, Men's \$18 Worsted Suits, Men's \$20 Worsted Suits.

In Fact, Any Man's Suit in The Meyer Store for \$7.50. The Meyer Store's positive rule that no goods can be carried over applies with as much force to the Men's and Boys' Clothing Department as it does to millinery and dry goods, and while it may read like an impossibility, it is a fact that every suit in the store must now go at \$7.50, no matter how stylish, what the suit is or whether the price was \$15, \$18, \$20 or \$25-all go in this unprecedented reduction sale for \$7.50. Winter stocks are due to reach here within the next 15 days, and every suit now in the store must get out of

THESE SUITS CAN BE WORN NOW, FALL AND WINTER.

The \$15, \$18, \$20 and \$25 Suits in this sale at \$7.50 for choice are not strictly summer weights, but all are heavy enough for Fall wear, and many of them heavy enough for winter wear, so that you can invest \$7.50 Saturday for either Fall or Winter Suit that one month from now will cost you twice and three times this sale price.

Men's \$10.00 and \$12.50 Suits for

This is a sale of all the odd lots of Men's Dress and Business Suits that have been selling for \$10 and \$12.50, and they are made of Worsteds, Cheviots, Homespuns and Cassimeres, nicely finished and well tailored-blacks, blues and fancies from which to select.

The Most Sensational Bargains Ever Advertised by a Clothing Store.



Union made, strictly allwool, some with cuff bottoms and belt straps, others with plain bottoms.



Men's Pants, \$ 99 \$5, \$6, \$7 Kind.

In other words, you can buy any pair of the finest pants in The Meyer Store for \$1.99. no matter if the former price was \$5, \$6 or \$7.



Yale Suit illustrated above is worth \$18 and is one of the suits which go in this sale at \$7.50.

YOUNG 🕈

14 to 19 Years.

Choice of any in The Meyer Store, whether the price was \$12, \$15 or \$18.